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## JOHNSTON LETTER.

### Revival Services Well Attended. Have Donned Overalls. To Attend Confederate Reunion.

The revival services which are being held in the Baptist church are attended by very large audiences, in fact, at nearly every service, every seat, as well as the gallery is filled, and the aisles are filled with chairs. Dr. R. G. Lee of Edgefield, who is assisting Rev. Brooke, is a wonderful, and most magnetic preacher, and at every meeting great good is accomplished, in church members re-consecrating their lives to greater work for the Master.

The merchants are all closing their stores for the morning services. On Sunday afternoon a special service was held for the men, and this was a great meeting. The services will continue through this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mobley arrived last Friday for a visit to Miss Lillian Mobley, and are receiving warm and hearty congratulations, their marriage having been a happy event of the past week.

The bride was Miss Williams of Orangeburg and is a young woman of many beautiful traits of character and the groom is in every way worthy of his fair bride.

Mrs. M. T. Siftley, of Orangeburg and Miss Ella Mobley of Columbia, are also visiting their sister, and a happy family re-union is being had.

Mrs. Marie Ware Shumate, of Washington, D. C. is spending a while here with her aunt, Mrs. W. L. Coleman.

The institute of the W. M. U., of the Ridge Association will be held at Williston, on April 22. The delegation from each association is not limited, so each church is urged to send as many as five delegates.

The institute will last only for the day. Mrs. W. J. Hatcher is one of the teachers in the institute.

Miss Ruth Harris of Dearing, Ga., is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. P. N. Lott.

The many friends of Mr. O. S. Wertz are delighted that he is able to be out again.

Mr. Garland Coleman of California, arrived last week to visit his mother, Mrs. W. L. Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wertz of Columbia were visitors here this week. Mr. Bob Perry of Saluda is visiting his sister, Mrs. Mary Hamilton, and niece, Mrs. Alice Cox.

Quite a number of citizens here have donned the overall, and wearing this uniform at their places of business. Some think it a fine thing to do, some that to wear old clothes already on hand, would be better, and others that the overall movement is a boom to the overall factory.

Miss Mary Lewis of Meeting Street is visiting in the home of her aunt, Mrs. Willie Tompkins.

Mr. J. Russell Wright has gone to Florida to spend a few months. During the winter he was quite ill, and has not yet gained his strength, so his physician recommended this trip as it might prove beneficial.

Mrs. Harry Hamilton of Swoope, Va., will arrive Thursday to spend a while with her mother, Mrs. Ann Mobley.

Rev. W. R. Brooke, of Virginia was here during the week, visiting in the home of his uncle, Rev. W. S. Brooke. A call has been extended him from the three churches, Stevens Creek, Rocky Creek and Dry Creek, and on Sunday he preached at Rocky Creek. These churches have preaching only twice a month and the same pastor has been supplying these.

Mr. J. W. Marsh has purchased a city block in Columbia between Lincoln and Gadsden streets and at an early date will have erected there a modern cotton warehouse. This cotton firm will add business to the city.

Mr. John Fleming Marsh is associated with his father in this business and both are much pleased with the location, and the advantages offered by Columbia as a business centre.

Mr. John F. Marsh has purchased from Mr. J. W. Tompkins, the residence on Pendleton street, and he and his wife hope to get possession in a few weeks.

News has been received here of the death of Mr. W. M. Mayes, at his

home at Punto Gordon, Fla.

Several years ago, he with his daughter, Miss Willette Mayes made their home here for two years, and they made many warm friends.

The annual State Re-union of the Confederate Veterans, meets in Sumter about the first of May and a number of veterans are contemplating attending.

Mrs. T. R. Denny and Mrs. A. P. Lewis attended the State Executive meeting of the W. C. T. U. which was held in Columbia on Saturday. They invited the State convention to meet here, which will be sometime in September.

Miss Bernice Black of Atlanta, is visiting in the home of her cousin, Mrs. Alice Cox.

Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Schnell of Greenwich, Conn., have been here during the past week, other members of the family accompanying them, the trip being made in their car.

Mrs. Schnell came to see about some improvements in the home place of which she purchased the interest of her brothers, following the death of her mother, Mrs. Eleanor Ivey.

Mrs. Schnell, who is remembered as Miss Ellie Ivey, has always held Johnston in warm affection, although she has made her home elsewhere for a number of years, but retained the homeplace as she makes a visit here yearly.

## Big Movie Attraction.

Owing to the more favorable weather conditions, Mr. Wall has contracted for a series of pictures which cannot be excelled at any of the leading theatres in the bigger towns, to be shown both here at the Edgefield Theatre and Johnston Theatre.

The first of these, BLIND HUSBANDS, will be screened at Johnston on Thursday the 22nd of April, and in Edgefield on Friday 23rd of April. This is a super-production and is classed as one of the very best ever produced under the trade mark of the Universal Jewel de Luxe Productions, which is sufficient in itself to mark the play as one worthy of everyone's attention.

BLIND HUSBANDS was run at the Capitol Theatre in New York, the world's largest theatre, recently and created a great sensation which caused the picture to be held over for an additional week's run. Mr. Wall, since taking over the Edgefield and Johnston Theatres has endeavored to give the very best and he hopes that the patronage will be sufficient to warrant his continuing with his series of expensive contracts for super productions.

The box office will be open at 7:45 p. m., promptly and show will begin sharply at 8:30, so that to ensure not missing a single moment of this wonderful picture. Be on time.

Prices, for Adults 55c, and Children 25c, plus War Tax.

## Postmaster Examination.

At the request of the Postmaster General the United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to be held at Augusta, Ga., on May 19, 1920, for the position of postmaster at Johnston, S. C. This office has an annual compensation of \$1,700.

To be eligible for this examination an applicant must be a citizen of the United States, must actually reside within the delivery of the office and have so resided at the time the present vacancy occurred.

Applicants must have reached their twenty-first but not their sixty-fifth birthday on the date of the examination.

Application Form 2241 and full information concerning the requirements of the examination may be secured from the postmaster at the place of vacancy or from the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C. Applications should be properly executed and filled out with the Commission at Washington, D. C., in time to arrange for the examination of the applicant.

WANTED: At once, good honest, industrious young white man to drive truck in town of Edgefield. Will pay good salary and furnish room.

POSTOFFICE BOX 116. Edgefield, S. C.

## Miss Florence Mims Writes From Boston.

Dear Advertiser:

Several times almost every day, I pass Mrs. J. L. Gardner's famous Art Palace, which is just next door to my school. Today for the first time I had the pleasure of going through it, for it is open only three days every year. From the exterior it looks like some old European castle, surrounded by a wall. It is severe and prison-like but with all the door-ways, windows and decorations in keeping with the foreign atmosphere. Two marble lions guard the door-way.

This morning there were many cars and some old carriages at the entrance, which were bringing many Boston aristocrats to this great art centre.

Most of the treasures found on the inside came from Europe. Mrs. Gardner was exempted from duty by the government on these treasures provided she would let the public enter every year and give the proceeds from the tickets to the government.

There were many pictures by famous people and much antique furniture. On the first floor, near the centre of the palace there was a lovely court filled with flowers in full bloom, statuary and fountains. There were walks around this leading to a stairway on the right. This mounted up and up and led to great galleries filled with tapestries, a little chapel with a rich red and blue stained glass window and choice relics that are not often to be seen in ordinary museums. For all the surroundings, the quaint fireplaces, the decorated ceilings, and splendid color schemes make a more excellent background for these treasures than white walls of new and modern buildings.

In one room you might imagine yourself in Holland, in another, in Italy. In the court you would almost believe yourself in fairyland.

I always knew that something similar to the garden of Eden must lie behind those stalwart stone barriers, but today they were burned away, and I shall always have a pleasurable sensation when I pass them here after on my way to school.

FLORENCE MIMS.

142 Hemenway St., Boston, Mass.

## Cotton Growers Take Notice.

Notice has been sent to W. A. Strom, president of the Edgefield county Cotton Association that there will be a rally at the Court House on Friday, April 23, beginning at 11 a. m. This notice was sent out by Mr. R. M. Mixson, President of the South Carolina Cotton Association, who is striving to get the workings of the Association before the people of the State. The subjects of marketing of cotton through the association, of warehousing the cotton and many points vital to the interest of the cotton producers of this county, will be discussed.

Heretofore, Edgefield county has not taken the active part in the association movement that it should have, but this is no reason why we should neglect this important movement any longer. Some may question the benefits of such an organization, but we are here to say that the good to be derived from the Cotton Association depends on the interest put into it and the efforts put forth. As a good example of what the Association is doing, we cite you to Spartanburg county, where they have built many warehouses to store their cotton and have arranged a credit system and spread the selling of the cotton over the entire twelve months of the year, instead of the few fall months, a matter that relieves the distress cotton from the market. And besides this, the Association has engaged the services of an expert cotton grader for the county, a matter that will mean much towards aiding the farmer to get the proper price for his cotton.

Now, Mr. Farmer, Mr. Business Man, Mr. Banker, Mr. Merchant, Mr. Preacher, Miss School Teacher, we urge you to lay down your regular schedule for the day and come to this meeting to lend your influence to make the Cotton Association of Edgefield county the hardest working organization in the South.

## "Uncle Iv" Morgan Writes Interesting Letter.

After a silence of a good while, I will inform who may want to know, whether I am still alive. For the last nine months, with the exception of November and December last, I have been in very poor health, under treatment of a physician most of the time, and even while I write am hardly able to be up.

I just wanted to know whether all of the correspondents to your paper were dead or like myself, just worn out or just of no account.

Where is Mr. or Mrs. Trenton, Hardy's, Cleora, Camp Branch, Colliers and others that used to let us hear from the four corners of Old Edgefield county?

I was so glad to see and read the first of the Sweetwater letter, telling about Old Mike (H. E. Mealing) still being able to milk the cows and feed the horses and pigs and also to know that his sister, Mrs. Lucretia Adams, was still alive. A better woman I have never known, and as for Old Mike, a better soldier did not belong to the Confederate army. A better friend I never had. He and I bunked together for quite a while during the Civil War. He had a habit of growling, scratching and almost barking in his sleep so much that I would have to wake him up so that I could get to sleep, so at the last he told me just to pinch him, so whenever he got to growling, scratching, snorting and kicking the blankets off I would give him a good pinch and after pinching him a few times, just as soon as he commenced his antics he would fetch a snap and a growl and wake up. So I broke Mike from having nightmares.

How many are there living now of Co. I, 2nd S. C. Cavalry? Let us count them. There is Heavy (J. W.) Giffis, Mike (H. E.) Mealing, Little Iv (E. G.) Morgan, J. N. Fair, Elias (Robert) and Joab Edwards and I sometimes wonder how a man who belonged to Co. I could be a preacher, for we were a reckless set with the exception of a very few but Joab Edwards was one of the best boys that I ever knew. Six of the sixty-eight disbanded at Chester C. H., S. C., in April 1865. Why, it seems like it was just yesterday that I kissed N. D. Timmerman for a parting scene for Co. I. We named N. D. "Buttermilk" from the fact that he was very fond of it, and some of the boys told it, that when he went to a farm house for milk that if there was none in the dairy or house, the farmer's wife or daughter would go to the pasture and milk the cows so that he could get milk. Now mind you, I know that he liked milk, but would not vouch for the truth of going to the pasture to milk the cows for him, oh no, but I do know that he was a good soldier and loved his horse, Old Ned.

Hugh Scott, the last to die of Co. I a braver man I never knew. He just did not know what fear was. He did scout duty most of the year of 1863, and when the 2nd Cavalry was sent to South Carolina in the spring of 1864 General Hampton asked our colonel (T. J. Lipscomb) to leave Hugh with him, which he did. I do wish someone who scouted with him would write up his adventures. I notice in your paper that Old Man Covar is dead, and if my memory serves me, is he not about the last of the old residents of Edgefield village that was living in Edgefield when the Civil War closed?

My, how time flies! Why, it seems only a short while since I was a boy and had egg nog every Christmas, and cake. And I can see again the old slaves coming to the house for their Christmas dram, and hear them say, "Thankee Maam, Thankee Sir." Those were good old days, and the old slaves are about all gone, only a few of them living now, and those few love to talk and tell about how their old Master and Mistress and young Master and Mistress treated them. But those days have passed and gone and we are living in a new or different day.

A day, must I say it? of greed, grab and get all you can in any way you can just so the sheriff don't get you. Am I wrong or is it just fancy? Politics, did you ask me about them? Well, they are certainly getting pretty hot. So much so that one can hardly keep from singing the

song, "Hot times in the old town tonight," but the weather would incline us to sing "Hard times," for since about the first of February the ground has been too wet to plow over half of the time, and cold, too. Had thick ice here on the morning of the 6th inst. and while I write, 'tis cold and windy, and a fire feels good to me. But you know I am old, blood thin, nothing to heat it up except coffee once a day, but I had rather it was so than have our young men to become sots and drunkards.

Though I am afraid the way prohibition was brought about, was not the right way. When you force people, or try to force them to do anything in which they have not been allowed a voice I'm afraid it won't hold. But if you will educate people to a thing then it will be of lasting good. Am I right or wrong?

God never made man to be driven to do a thing but to be led into doing it. Men can be led, but very few will be driven. No sir, when you undertake to drive men into doing a thing, you may expect a fight. No matter if that which you are driving him into is for his good. Am I right or wrong, again? I think I hear someone say, "I do wonder of Old Uncle Iv is opposed to prohibition." No, I am not opposed to anything for man's good, but am opposed to a good many things that have been done the last three years. I am now nearly 76 years old and have never known of as much force being used on every hand to throttle free men. And if it is not stopped I am afraid serious trouble is ahead in our government. I try to hope that I am wrong in seeing things as I do, but for the life of me, I can't see things in any other way. "Well, you say that you are not well, and maybe that accounts for it. Your liver needs regulating." Well, maybe so, but if it is my liver, it has affected my brain and heart, too.

I notice in your last issue that you said that some had called President Wilson hard-headed, and if he failed to listen to those who were opposed to his candidacy for the third term, you would think so, too. Now, isn't it a fact that he has been too much inclined to have his own way in the League? That is the way I see it. No man knows it all, and every man has a right to his own opinion. I am only one, but have the God-given right to think and at the same time to accord to every other man the same right—and not fall out with him because he sees through different glasses.

No, I haven't forgotten the farmer, and he certainly is having the time of his life on the farm. Already a month behind and the ground now about as wet as water can make it. But very little corn planted yet and little cotton bedded. but the grain looks fine, both wheat and oats only not half enough of either sown.

Well, here is love to all of Old Edgefield county from

"UNCLE IV."

## Clemson College Gets New Church.

Special to The State.

Clemson College, April 18—South Carolina Methodists are to build a good church at Clemson College, one that will adequately fill the needs of this important point for the religious training of the hundreds of Methodist boys who pass through the institution year after year. This is the decision reached by the joint commission from the two Methodist conferences in a meeting here recently to consider the needs of the situation and take steps to meet those needs.

The joint commission, consisting of the Rev. J. C. Roper, the Rev. J. W. Kilgore and M. M. Roddey of the upper conference, and the Rev. C. C. Derrick, the Rev. H. G. Hardin and Thomas O. Lawton from the South Carolina conference, met here April 3 and elected the Rev. J. C. Roper, chairman; the Rev. A. E. Driggers the local pastor, secretary, and the Prof. S. M. Martin, treasurer. After a thorough examination of the situation, it was the unanimous decision of the commission that a church plant costing approximately \$100,000, with a seating capacity of about 750, is necessary to meet the needs of the situation, and it was decided to proceed at once with ar-

## T. C. Callison Announces Candidacy For Solicitor.

An interesting political development of the week was the definite announcement by Hon. George Bell Timmerman that, upon the expiration of his present term as solicitor, he would retire, at least for a time, from public life and devote himself to private practice.

Immediately following this announcement came the further announcement that Col. T. C. Callison, his law partner, would cast his hat in the ring as a candidate to succeed Mr. Timmerman. While Col. Callison has never sought office before, he comes of a family which has for many years been prominent in public life in this State, his grandfather, Capt. James Callison, having been a member of the famous Wallace House in 1876, performing good service in the memorable campaign of that year which rid the state of negro rule. He later served Edgefield county in both house and senate. His father, Preston B. Callison, represented Greenwood county in the house from 1902 to 1906.

T. C. Callison is what is generally termed a self-made man, working himself through high school and the University of South Carolina, going to school in winter and working a crop in summer. While at the University he was honored by being elected vice-president of the law class and president of the Clariosophic Literary Society.

Since coming to Lexington Mr. Callison has devoted himself to the practice of law, being a member of the firm of Timmerman, Graham & Callison. He has built up a large practice and enjoys the confidence of a large clientele. He has the unique distinction of never having lost a criminal case in which he has appeared alone. Mr. Callison believes he sees in the office of solicitor an opportunity for service, and he offers his services with this idea in view rather than merely wishing to get into politics.

Mr. Callison is well known in the other counties of the circuit, having been born in old Edgefield, spent his boyhood days in Greenwood county and is favorably known in both Saluda and McCormick counties. He has many relatives and friends in all of these counties who will be glad to hear of his purpose to try for solicitor and he will no doubt make a splendid race.—Lexington Dispatch.

## Bettis Academy Commencement.

M. Editor:

Our commencement at Bettis Academy will be on the 29th inst. For a number of years the good white people of Edgefield have encouraged this school by their presence and it will be a great pleasure to us to have as many as will come to our commencement this year.

We assure them the patrons and friends of the school will do all in their power to make it pleasant for them. Exercises will begin at 11 o'clock.

A. W. NICHOLSON.

rangements looking towards raising funds and erecting such a plant, which is to contain all accessories such as Sunday school rooms, social hall, dining room and kitchen, etc.

Briefly, the plans for raising the necessary funds, including the securing of about half the necessary amount from the general church extension boards of the two conferences of this state. The rest of the funds will be raised by direct appeal to the alumni of Clemson college, the patrons of the present student body, the local church membership and friends of the enterprise wherever they may be found.

The pastor, Rev. A. E. Driggers, was authorized by the commission to give as much of his time as possible to the work of securing funds, and Thomas O. Lawton, who is a graduate of Clemson college, was appointed to have special charge of the work in reaching the alumni. It is hoped that the work of raising funds and making other preparation for building may advance sufficiently during the coming summer so that the work of building may be taken up within a year.